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▶ Vancouver Canucks Kevin Bieksa celebrates his second-period goal against the San Jose Sharks with teammate Ryan Kesler in Game 2 at Rogers Arena last night.

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Canucks lay a beating

Vancouver rolls over San Jose in a 7-3 Game 2 blowout ◐ Kevin Bieksa opens the floodgates with a goal and a fight in the second period ◐ Daniel Sedin chips in with two goals {pages 36-37}

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Film charts Caps captain's rise

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Finding a calling in second go-round

Woman died in car accident, was brought back to life Doctors told her she wouldn't be able to function

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Just before she turned 17, Jessie-May Broadhurst died but was brought back to life.

She was on her way home with two friends after a night of drinking when her friend tried to drive past a truck.

He lost control of the vehicle and slammed into a utility pole.

"We slanted down into a ditch.... I was strapped into the car seat and I (was drowning) in the water," said Broadhurst, now 26.

The New Westminster resident said her friend Chris took out his knife, cut her seatbelt, pulled her out onto the road and tried to resuscitate her.

"He technically ended my life but he gave it back to me as well," she said.

She awoke from a coma with a broken body and a severe right temporal brain injury.

Doctors told her she would be co-dependent and that she wouldn't be able to function.

She beat the odds.

She has since travelled to Thailand, Cuba and Mexico to share her story — through workshops and seminars — of personal triumph and the importance of appreciating life.

Working toward her goal as a motivational speaker, Broadhurst said she joined the Miss Universe Canada pageant to fulfil her passion for sharing and teaching.

"There are many grey and dark areas in life, and to be able to shed a bit of light and hope to other people when they're going through their dark times, I think is the most important thing," she said.

"I'm not in a competition. I'm just sharing my story."

Miss Universe

- The pageant will be held at the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts Theatre in Toronto.
- The top 20 semifinalists will compete during the pageant finale show on June 25.

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/FOR METRO

▶ Jessie-May Broadhurst at her home in New Westminster yesterday. She says she's lucky to be alive and wants others to learn from her story as she competes in the Miss Universe Canada pageant.

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Lars Von Trier's guide to Cannes publicity: Nazi quips and musing about Kirsten Dunst in porn.

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Dreams fit for the sliver screen

- Film charts Whitecaps captain's rise from non-league soccer in the U.K. to the World Cup
- Funding need to bring inspirational documentary to audiences

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Whitecaps captain Jay DeMerit has one of the most astonishing stories in all of sports.

The tale of an American athlete struggling to make ends meet playing beer-league soccer in England and his astronomical rise to the FIFA World Cup is a source of inspiration to all those that know it.

And that includes the two filmmakers who charted the journey and are hoping to realize their own dream of releasing Rise and Shine: The Jay DeMerit Story.

The film is nearly finished but has only been shown behind closed doors and at select private screenings, according to Nick Lewis, one of the men behind the movie.

The response has been positive, but Lewis has been unable to cover the licensing costs associated with releasing the movie.

"It costs about $20,000 a minute to show footage from the English Premier League and $50,000 a minute from the World Cup," said Lewis. "We talked to a few people about investing, but never found the right fit."

So Lewis has turned to soccer fans and the arts community for help through kickstarter.com, the largest funding platform in the world.

Anyone can back the movie with a donation and will only be charged if the documentary hits its goal of $215,000 pledged by July 18.

So far, 355 people have stepped up and offered $44,683.

Lewis hopes the day will come that people can see DeMerit's story for themselves.

"It's a story that deserves to be told."

For more information, look up Rise and Shine: The Jay DeMerit Story at kickstarter.com.

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The accidental mayoral candidate

- Lone NPA councillor announces intention to seek mayor's chair
- Anton admits party 'battered' in 2008 election but looks to rebound

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Suzanne Anton never set out to be mayor.

"I was a Crown prosecutor who got into politics to get more soccer fields for kids," said the councillor. "Soccer fields — that's where it all started."

That journey has seen her rise up in the NPA ranks and survive the party's lopsided defeat in the 2008 Vancouver civic election as its lone elected representative on council.

Yesterday, Anton took her biggest step towards the very thing she wasn't striving for by announcing her intention to run for mayor in November's election.

"I believe that this can be an even better city than it is today," she said, flanked by NPA school board, parks board and council nominees in Yaletown's trendy Opus Hotel.

During her announcement, she accused Mayor Gregor Robertson of taking credit for social housing established by the previous NPA-dominated council and for hurting businesses along Hornby Street by installing bike lanes.

Her rivals at Vision Vancouver say they're up for Anton's challenge.

MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

▶ Suzanne Anton

News in brief

Site C to cost $8B

HYDRO DAM. The proposed Site C dam in northeast B.C. has a new projected price tag — almost $8 billion — and has moved to the first stage of an environmental review.

B.C. Hydro worked up the cost figure based on an updated design and says despite the huge amount, the price of electricity the dam would produce would make Site C among the most cost-effective options to meet B.C.'s future electricity needs.

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Postal strike not HST issue

ELECTION B.C. Finance Minister Kevin Falcon isn't worried that the threat of a postal strike could interrupt plans for the mail-in referendum on the harmonized sales tax. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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CABINET SHUFFLE

Senate picks spark outrage

The prime minister shuffled the deck but not much appears to have changed with the new federal cabinet, Jack Layton said yesterday.

The NDP leader also said he was taken aback by Stephen Harper's decision to appoint three failed Conservative candidates to the Senate.

"That's a slap in the face to Canadian voters — to say that someone who has lost an election a few weeks ago now has the opportunity of becoming a senator. This is an attack against democracy."

Harper named Larry Smith, Fabian Manning and former cabinet minister Josee Verner to the upper chamber. Smith and Manning had quit Senate jobs to run for the Tories, while Verner lost her seat in the NDP run on Quebec.

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Bernier returns to cabinet

Maxime Bernier, one of only five Tories elected in Quebec, returns to cabinet in a junior role as minister of state for small business and tourism after a three-year exile. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Not enough women appointed?

Ten of the 28 women in the 166-member Conservative caucus have made it into cabinet, but critics condemned that as far too few.

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Harper unveils his biggest cabinet yet

SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ In one of the biggest moves, political pitbull John Baird becomes the country's top diplomat as foreign affairs minister, replacing Lawrence Cannon.

PM sticks with familiar faces
Flaherty, MacKay stay in posts

It's game on for the Conservative majority government as Stephen Harper announced a cabinet yesterday packed with veterans and some new players.

The prime minister added one position to the team, upping its size to 39 — a third larger than when Harper first took office in 2006, and matching the cabinets of Brian Mulroney and Paul Martin as the biggest ever.

The large roster prompted cries of hypocrisy as Harper's decision to keep a beefed-up bench comes at a time when the government needs to trim billions in government spending to wrestle down the deficit.

"Any hockey coach will tell you that if a team is going to keep winning over time, it must maintain a corps of veterans and gradually blend in new talent. "

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But Harper dismissed the criticism.

"I think it's important to know when you're talking about austerity, that this government has reduced ministerial budgets significantly," he said.

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B.C. journalist released after detention in Syria

Al-Jazeera's Dorothy Parvaz was accused of being a spy Damascus has banned most foreign reporters

Blindfolded and handcuffed, Dorothy Parvaz spent a night in a Syrian courtyard listening to the wails of young men being beaten until their voices were hoarse.

It was the first night after the British Columbia journalist was stopped by Syrian officials while travelling to Damascus on assignment for Al-Jazeera's English-language news network.

She had no idea if anyone knew what had happened to her, she said in her first public comments since her ordeal ended Tuesday.

"I'm fairly certain (it was) for that purpose, to scare me, and I heard two separate interrogations and beatings," she said in the Doha, Qatar studio interview posted yesterday on the news organization's website.

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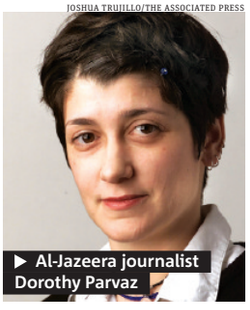

▶ Al-Jazeera journalist Dorothy Parvaz

The Iranian-born Parvaz was set free on Tuesday, nearly 19 days after being taken into Syrian custody on April 29. She had been deported from Syria to Iran, where she also has citizenship, but no one had heard from her until the day of her release.

Iran had not commented on Parvaz until Tuesday also, when its foreign ministry spokesman said she had tried to enter Syria with an expired Iranian passport and without proper press clearance.

A Canadian foreign affairs spokesman said yesterday Parvaz is "now safe."

"Since learning of her disappearance, Canadian officials engaged authorities at high levels to press for information on her well-being and whereabouts," Alain Cacchione said in an email.

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No parole for Mountie conspirator

There will be no parole for a man convicted in the deaths of four Alberta Mounties near Mayerthorpe.

Two National Parole Board officers say Dennis Cheeseman said the right things at his hearing yesterday at the Drumheller Penitentiary in Southern Alberta, but hadn't done enough in prison to better himself.

Cheeseman admitted he didn't feel he was ready for full parole, instead asking for day release.

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Cheeseman was sentenced to 12 years but credit for his guilty plea means he is serving a little more than seven years.

Mayor. Protest

▶ Albanian opposition supporters clash with police as they try to enter the Central Election Commission in the capital city of Tirana.

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Electoral strife in Albania

Protesters decried the delay in releasing the results from the May 8 local elections, in which they claim their leader, Edi Rama, won re-election as mayor of the city of Tirana.

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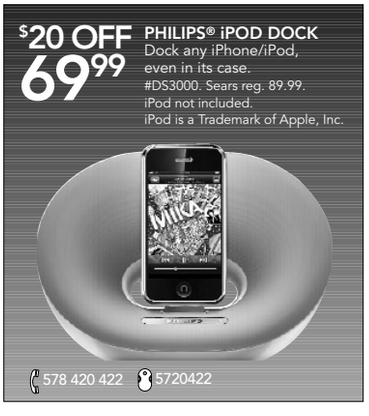

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Bids for Royal hat near $30K

LONDON. Online auctioneer eBay says that bids for Princess Beatrice's massive, ring-and-bow-shaped hat have approached 18,400 pounds (or $28,000 Cdn).

The Philip Treacy creation turned heads at the wedding of the princess' cousin, Prince William, last month's and has since become an internet sensation.

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Fictional flood warnings

BUDAPEST. Hungary's disaster management agency is testing the country's emergency broadcast system with warnings of severe storms in Middle-earth, the fictional setting of J. R. R. Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings.

It chose the land of Hobbits, Orcs and Elves to avoid alarming people.

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$2B US magnet arrives at space station

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. A mammoth cosmic ray detector arrived at the International Space Station yesterday. The priciest cargo carried by a space shuttle will search the invisible universe and help explain how everything came to be.

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Winnipeggers engaged on Oprah's last show

Woman's mom fakes headache so boyfriend can go to show Onstage proposal shocks girlfriend

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▶ Alex Babinsky proposed to girlfriend Jenna Steinsvik on Oprah's last show.

Winnipeg nurse Jenna Steinsvik got the surprise of her life when her firefighter boyfriend Alex Babinsky proposed to her on the last taping of the Oprah show.

"I knew he'd do something big because he's like that. He's big in everything he does," Steinsvik said on her cellphone yesterday on the way home to Winnipeg from Chicago. "But, no, I never expected this."

While sitting in the crowd at the United Center, a producer called Babinsky up on stage, much to Steinsvik's shock.

Babinsky called his girlfriend of a couple years to the stage, got down on one knee and proposed with "Will You Marry Me, Jenna" flashing on the screens around the Center.

In front of a wildly cheering crowd, Steinsvik said yes.

Steinsvik said she's still stunned — and that, no, the couple hasn't set a date. She isn't sure if the proposal will be aired, but it was taped.

A bold proposal

How to get your girlfriend to marry you in four difficult but awesome steps

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▶ Author Jo Stanley poses with a feather boa.

Show may make waves

▶ Halifax the first North American stop for exhibit on gay seafarers
▶ Author says she has known since 1975 the subject is a talking point

JENNIFER TAPLIN
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Author Jo Stanley dove into a drag queen's closet yesterday, pulling out ball gowns and feather boas.

Stanley, from Halifax, England, led the media on a tour of a new exhibit at the Maritime Museum in Halifax. It's called Hello Sailor! Gay Life on the Ocean Wave.

Museum curator Dan Conlin said there has been little resistance to the exhibit. "One chief petty officer said everybody knew there were gay sailors in the navy and nobody ever talked about it, so hats off to you."

Birth control clash in Philippines

A wide-ranging and acrimonious debate over government-funded access to contraceptives in the Philippines has split the country's congress.

The powerful Roman Catholic establishment says contraceptives are as sinful as abortions.

Reformers want more openness about condoms and other birth control in the impoverished Southeast Asian nation to slow population growth and help prevent disease.

President Benigno Aquino III has backed artificial birth control even if it means going against the church.

He said last month he was ready if necessary to risk excommunication.

"I have been taught in school, which was a Catholic institution, that the final arbiter really is our conscience," Aquino said yesterday.

"We are not looking for a fight with the church. This is on the record.

"I have invited them many times so that we can have discussions, and we have focused on areas where we can agree on."

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$1 About one-third of the 94-million people in the Philippines live on $1 per day.

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▶ Queen Elizabeth

Queen sees 'Bloody Sunday' death site

Queen Elizabeth's journey of reconciliation to Ireland took her to Croke Park yesterday, where British troops killed 14 Irish civilians in 1920.

This was the site of the original "Bloody Sunday," a day when British forces opened fire on civilians at a major sporting match between Dublin and Tipperary.

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News in brief

Cities lobby for Games

LAUSANNE, Switzerland. The three cities vying for the 2018 Winter Olympics took their campaigns directly to the IOC yesterday.

Bid teams from Munich; Annecy, France; and Pyeongchang, South Korea made their pitches.

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Flu experts warn world

GENEVA. The world is not ready to deal with a lengthy public health crisis, experts said yesterday. They based their findings on the handling of the 2009 H1N1 flu emergency.

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▶ IMF head Dominique Strauss-Kahn and Judge Melissa Jackson during Strauss-Khan's arraignment Monday at Manhattan Criminal Court in New York.

IMF boss in sex scandal submits his resignation

- He denies allegations but is thinking of his family
- New York hotel carpet checked for traces of semen

In a late-night drama, accused sex attacker Dominique Strauss-Kahn submitted his resignation as head of the International Monetary Fund, effective immediately.

The news broke as Strauss-Kahn was under a suicide watch in a New York jail.

The IMF's board released a letter from him in which he denied the allegations against him but said with "great sadness" he must resign.

He said he was thinking of his family and he wanted to protect the IMF.

Earlier, the lawyer for the maid who accused him of assaulting her says he has no doubt his client is telling the truth.

The 32-year-old maid from Guinea says Strauss-Kahn tried to rape her in the penthouse suite of New York's Sofitel Hotel.

Investigators cut out a piece of penthouse carpet in a search for DNA evidence. They believe the carpet may contain Strauss-Kahn's semen, spat out after forced oral sex.

DNA testing is being fast-tracked, officials said.

Meanwhile, Strauss-Kahn, 62, was set for another bail hearing today.

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Key card clue

- Investigators were looking at the maid's hotel key card to determine whether she used it enter the room and how long she was there, officials said.

Brazil. March

▶ Fake blood and a crown of thorns.

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Showing their pain

Demonstrators used ingenuity to make their point at a march against homophobia yesterday in Brasilia, Brazil. One wore a crown of thorns. Another painted his face in the colours of the Brazilian flag.

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HE SAYS ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE
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If you're looking for a new challenge and have the opportunity to run a marathon, I would definitely, if I were you, run in the other direction as fast as you can.

That's the only running I'll recommend, though.

Before you get any ideas about "healthy living," keep in mind where the marathon originated: According to Greek legend, passed down by generations of Wikipedia writers, Pheidippides (or "Dippy," as his friends called him) ran from a battle to faraway Marathon, cleverly keeping his bearings by staying to the right of numerous orange traffic cones.

Powered only by steely determination and Gatorade tables every three kilometres, Dippy ran without stopping because, as classical paintings depicting the event illustrate, he wasn't wearing pants. Arriving in Marathon and conveying his final, brave message to his superiors ("They've taken our pants!"), he collapsed and died.

"So I speak from experience when I say that if you want to run a long race, you should find something more fun to do, such as unnecessary dental surgery."

I can confirm the validity of this Marathon legend, too, because I just ran a half-marathon four days ago and I'm definitely half-dead.

So I speak from experience when I say that if you want to run a long race, you should find something more fun to do, such as unnecessary dental surgery. The Marathon legend actually understates the difficulties, because it leaves out when Pheidippides' skipped beers with his friends on the weekend because he had to train.

My point is that if you take part in a marathon, you are signing up for an event that killed its first participant. It would be like registering for the annual Titanic Ship Race and Iceberg Avoidance Festival.

So I'm begging you not to make the same mistakes I made. I started six years ago, with a full marathon, which is exactly 26 miles, or 7,500 kilometres. It was beyond difficult and only with the finish line in sight did I surge ahead, passing a woman in her late 60s who, judging by her facial expression, may not have been entirely aware she was in a race.

So I finished second-to-last, yet I still enjoyed myself and have been referred to since as The Penultimate Warrior — at least when I'm looking in the mirror and no one else is around.

And therein lies the problem with running. Here I am complaining about it, but I CAN'T STOP. It's a gruelling, painful, sometimes demoralizing experience and, yet, there's something when you're running that tells you it's one of the best things you've ever done.

And if you start, well, I can't be held responsible for what happens. Keep a close watch on your pants.

Read more of John Mazerolle's columns at metronews.ca/hesays

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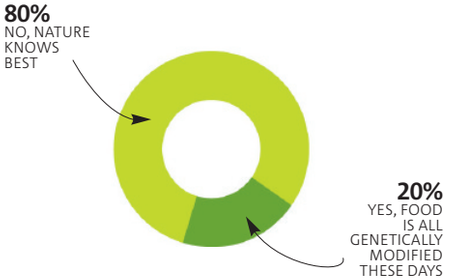

Local tweets

- **@Vancity-Buzz:** Shark Club Changes name to #Vancouver Molson Hockey House for the rest of the playoffs! http://bit.ly/l1LARM #NoWayJose
- **@lmchew:** It is a gorgeous day in #Vancouver. Already got the smell of the tourist-y summer season.
- **@stephen__harris:** An outrageous, offensive 42 cents! RT @O_oyvr: How much extra did you pay on lunch and coffee today thanks to #hst? #Vancouver #bcpoli
- **@MrPoetSmiles:** Just chillen on a bus! Goin to the hotel in #Vancouver
- **@talkingrayne:** It's a beautiful — stunning day and I'm actually at the beach! #Vancouver http://twitpic.com/4zduct
- **@luluada:** Why am I not wearing shorts? 17 degrees C in beautiful #Vancouver
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- **@kcomley:** Adorable #yvr #canucks hashtags: #winitformanny (Happy Birthday, Malhotra) and #nowayjose. Let's get these trending.

Worth mentioning

SAO PAULO, Brazil. A 114-year-old Brazilian woman is the world's oldest living human, Guinness World Records said yesterday.

Maria Gomes Valentim attributes her longevity to eating a daily roll of bread for breakfast along with fruit — though she indulges in the occasional nip of wine.

Guinness said Valentim, aged 114 years 313 days, is 48 days older than the person previously considered the world's oldest human, Besse Cooper from Monroe, Ga.

Cooper now holds the title of the oldest living North American.

Guinness verified that Valentim was born July 9, 1896, in Carangola in the southeastern state of Minas Gerais, where she has always lived.

Known as Grandma Quita, Valentim's family says she has a stubborn streak and has always made a habit of minding her own business.

Guinness said it has received several claims for potential "super centenarians" — but none before were ratified because of a lack of evidence or documentation. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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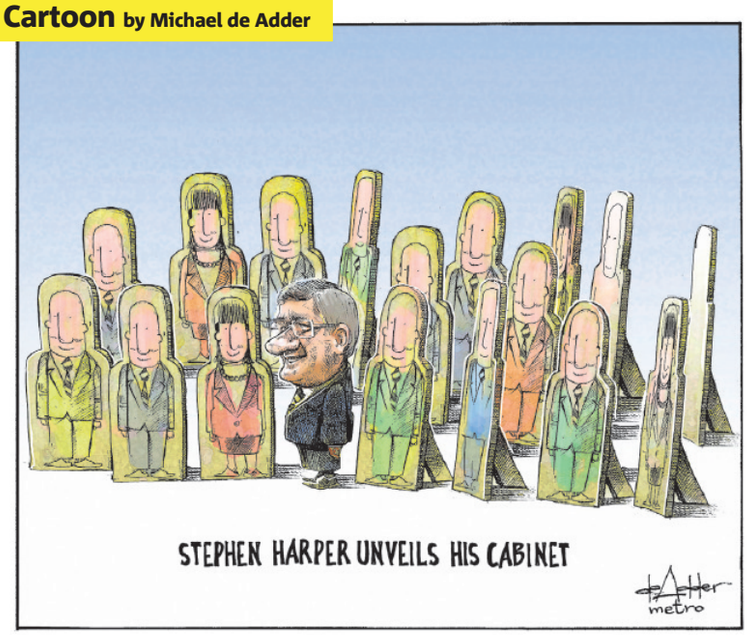

WEIRD NEWS

An artist in sheep's clothing?

An artist known for his large-scale projects says his proposal to put silvery, luminous fabric panels over the Arkansas River won't hurt bighorn sheep.

The panels in Christo's project would span eight sections along a 64-kilometre stretch of the river between Salida, Colo., and Canon City and require drilling anchors. The project is expected to take two years.

Colorado wildlife commissioners voted to send a letter to the U.S. Bureau of Land Management expressing concerns over how the project would affect the sheep, according to the Pueblo Chieftain.

Christo says protecting wildlife and the environment is important and he will address the concerns that were raised.

His ideas have hit resistance before.

The Gates in New York's Central Park was rejected by three city administrations before Christo's friend Michael Bloomberg was elected mayor. The 7,503 fabric panels of The Gates were installed in 2005 under Bloomberg's tenure.

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Advocacy group wants McClown to go

McDonald's defends mascot against irresponsible marketing accusations

His floppy shoes, painted-on smile and flaming-red hair may be harder sell to today's kids who are trading in their dolls and trucks for manicures and mobile game apps at ever younger ages.

He also seems out of step with McDonald's Corp.'s new efforts to appeal to adults. The 48-year-old spokes-clown fell flat in new ads this year, according to Ace Metrix, a U.S. group that tracks TV advertising.

And the U.S. government is getting strict on marketing unhealthy food to children. That has both marginalized Ronald as more of a mascot than a product pitchman and landed him in the middle of the bigger debate about food makers' responsibilities in stemming the rise in childhood obesity.

McDonald's says it is proud of the food it offers and that Ronald teaches children to be active.

Critics say it's time to hang up the yellow jumper. A group called Corporate Accountability International plans to ask Ronald to retire at the company's annual meeting today. They say Ronald encourages kids to eat junk food, contributing to a rise in childhood obesity and related diseases such as diabetes.

The group, which campaigned against the Joe Camel cigarette mascot in the 1990s and complained about Ronald as a role model at McDonald's annual meeting last year, has stepped up its campaign.

It took out full-page ads yesterday in the Chicago Sun-Times, New York Metro and four other papers to call for his head.

The ads, signed by more than 550 health groups and professionals, carry the headline, "Doctors' Orders: Stop Marketing Junk Food To Kids."

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HANDOUT

▶ Kids from Ronald McDonald House Toronto celebrate McHappy Day yesterday with founder George Cohon, left, Ronald McDonald, and figure skater Patrick Chan.

FUN AND GAMES

Slapping on a new twist to old toys

The NHL playoffs will be over well before summer is underway, but hockey-mad kids can still get their fix during the warmer months.

Toys and games that offer a new take on street shinny were among those featured during the Hot Toys of Summer event held by the Canadian Toy Association yesterday.

The Slip 'N Slide Water Knee Hockey Rink and SlapSHOTZ, which uses hand-held blades and a soft foam ball, were among the activities offering a modern twist on the traditional game.

Away from the diamond, Triple Hit Baseball from Fisher-Price allows youngsters to test their swing on balls popping out automatically from its base. For those looking to test their acrobatic skills, there were also brightly coloured Spooner Boards on which to try out spins, flips, slides and wobbles.

Laura Wiese of The Canadian Toy Association said the industry will always offer new twists on old classics, which helps bring kids into new areas of play they might not have tried before. And for cost-conscious parents, Wiese said more than 70 per cent of the toys featured yesterday are less than $30.

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New rules on insurance industry worry CEO

Sun Life Financial's CEO says he has serious concerns about widespread regulatory changes proposed for the life insurance industry.

Donald Stewart says those potential regulations, including the second phase of international financial reporting standards and more stringent capital regulations, could have "significant negative unintended consequences."

Proposed stricter capital requirements could be more onerous in a number of jurisdictions, Stewart warned shareholders at the Toronto-based insurer's annual general meeting.

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Designers joining Fay

Tod's Group says the Italian designing duo Tommaso Aquilano and Roberto Rimondi is taking over the women's line at its Fay fashion brand, worn by such stars as Halle Berry and Sandra Bullock.

The pair most recently were designing for Gianfranco Ferré, where they landed in 2008. Ferré has recently been purchased by a Dubai fashion group, which had indicated it was looking for a change.

Aquilano and Rimdoni will present their first collection in September during Mila's Fashion Week for the spring/summer 2012.

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Market moment

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Baring. Profits

▶ Bystanders take snapshots as models pose in front of the Abercrombie & Fitch shop in Paris yesterday.

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Ab-ercrombie ripped and ready for Paris

Topless male models posed in front of the Abercrombie & Fitch shop on the Champs-Elysées in Paris as part of a promotion for the opening of the U.S. brand's new shop in France. Abercrombie & Fitch Co., known for pricey clothing, said yesterday that international sales helped push it to a first-quarter net income of $25 million US. In last year's first quarter, the company had a loss of $11.8 million.

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Wheat Board monopoly on borrowed time

Minister Gerry Ritz says group will still have a role to play

Farmers and agricultural associations in western Manitoba are reeling after federal Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz unexpectedly told reporters yesterday the government plans to end the Canadian Wheat Board's monopoly come the fall.

A spokesperson for the Canadian Wheat Board could not be reached for comment by press deadline.

While this won't necessarily mean the Canadian Wheat Board's demise, it could mean the potential loss of jobs, said Doug Chorney, president of Keystone Agricultural Producers.

Currently, about 400 people work at the Canadian Wheat Board offices in Winnipeg.

"Our official position has always been that farmers should have the choice to decide who to market their grain to," said Chorney.

ELISHA DACEY

Rumour. Mill

▶ Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney delivers a speech to the Canadian Club of Ottawa earlier this week.

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IMF scandal opens door for Carney

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney is being taken seriously in international circles as a possible replacement for disgraced International Monetary Fund head Dominique Strauss-Kahn, who announced his resignation last night.

Knock, knock. Who's there? Phantogram

Electronic rock band making big waves over the past year Music described by band member as a "deep, dark tunnel with a light at the end"

BACKSTAGE PASS

GRAEME MCRANOR
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While many enthusiastic fans will be flocking to the Orpheum Theatre to watch comedian Tracy Morgan tomorrow night, an equally enthusiastic audience of music lovers will be at Venue (881 Granville St.) to hear New York-based electronic-rock outfit Phantogram.

If you were lucky enough to catch the duo when they opened up for Metric at the Malkin Bowl last summer, you probably told your friends and colleagues — via Twitter, Facebook or local coffee shop — how good they were.

You might have also mentioned how you could watch keyboardist and singer Sarah Barthel perform for hours.

Yes, Barthel exudes a rather hypnotic sexiness when she plays and sings. But Phantogram's trippy brand of music — described by bandmate Josh Carter in an interview as a "deep, dark tunnel with a light at the end" — is just as compelling.

It's no wonder the duo has been steadily gaining traction since their debut album, Eyelid Movies, came out in February of last year.

They've toured extensively since making their television debut on Late Night with Jimmy Fallon and appearing recently — with the addition of drummer Tim Oakley — on Jimmy Kimmel Live.

The band's cross-country tour (its first full Canadian run) concludes with tomorrow night's performance. Tickets for the 19-plus show are $15, available at Red Cat records and Ticketmaster. Doors open at 7 p.m. More info at venuelive.ca.

HANDOUT

▶ Phantogram are playing Venue tomorrow night.

2 scene

Scene in brief

Canadian chanteuse Celine Dion gives fans a peek into her home and work life in a new TV special that's set to air next month. Celine: 3 Boys and a New Show is slated for broadcast on OWN: The Oprah Winfrey Network on June 26.

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A man, a van, an idea: Cannes in a Van parks indie film on the French Riviera
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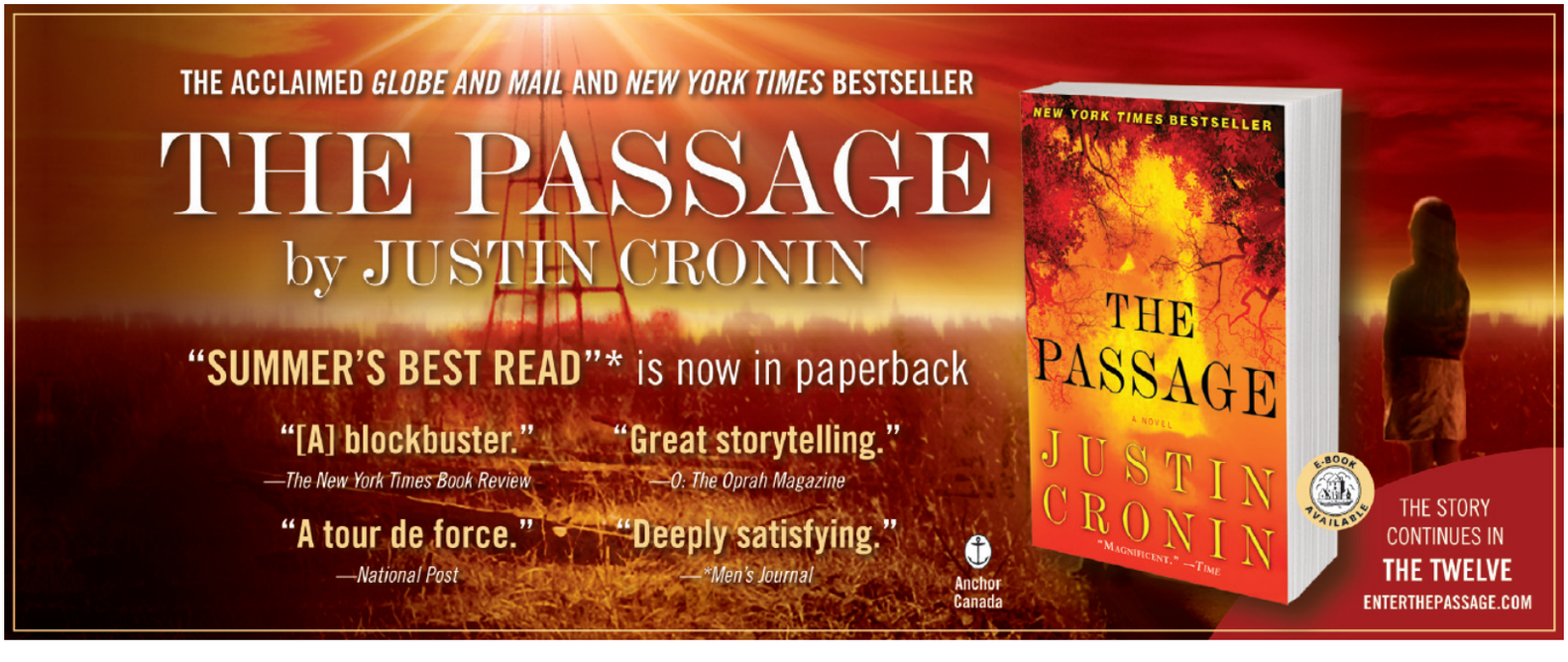

Final farewells

Hollywood's biggest stars, 13,000 fans come to Chicago to say goodbye to Oprah

Oprah Winfrey wiped away tears as celebrity after celebrity surprised her during a farewell double-episode taping of The Oprah Winfrey Show that will precede her finale.

"Thank you is not enough, but thank you," Winfrey told the crowd of 13,000 gathered at Chicago's United Center on Tuesday night for Surprise Oprah! A Farewell Spectacular. "For your love and your support, thank you."

The crowd gave Winfrey a standing ovation when she first walked on the stage. Then the stars came out, with Winfrey's producers making good on their promise of the biggest celebrities of movies, music and television.

Aretha Franklin sang Amazing Grace. Tom Hanks acted as host for the evening. Michael Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to six NBA championships during the 1990s, told Winfrey she inspires him.

Tom Cruise, famous for his couch jumping on Winfrey's show, was there. Jerry Seinfeld wore a tuxedo to give a comedy routine. And Madonna said she is among the millions of people who are inspired by Winfrey.

"It really does amaze me that I get to be around a woman who changes people's lives every day and who also takes her own lunch to work."
STEDMAN GRAHAM, OPRAH WINFREY LONGTIME PARTNER

"She fights for things she believes in, even if it makes her unpopular," Madonna said.

Winfrey announced in November 2009 that she would end her popular talk show after 25 years. Tuesday's taping will air May 23 and 24, before Winfrey's final show on May 25.

"You always had the power, and that is the message you brought into our lives," Cruise told Winfrey.

The show highlighted Winfrey's charity efforts over the years. About 300 Morehouse College scholarship students walked along the United Center aisles as Kristen Chenoweth sang For Good from the musical Wicked. Grammy winner John Legend was beamed in from a New Orleans school and Winfrey's book club was lauded for getting millions to read.

Josh Groban and Patti LaBelle sang Somewhere Over the Rainbow as Winfrey sat in a white chair onstage.

Jamie Foxx and Stevie Wonder sang Isn't She Lovely to Winfrey. Wonder followed with his own song, singing to her, "Oprah thank you for using your gifts to uplift so many hearts."

Simon Cowell made an appearance; Rosie O'Donnell sang a Broadway-style song. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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▶ Madonna hugs Oprah Winfrey as she appears during a star-studded double-taping of Surprise Oprah! A Farewell Spectacular.

More stars galore

- The taping of the second show began with Will Smith and his wife, Jada Pinkett Smith, who thanked Winfrey and told her she mothered millions and "that puts you in the status of a goddess."
- Actresses Halle Berry, Queen Latifah, Katie Holmes and Dakota Fanning all appeared, along with newswoman Diane Sawyer.
- Beyoncé sang her song Run the World (Girls) backed by dozens of dancers.
- "Oprah Winfrey, because of you women everywhere have graduated to a new level of understanding of who we are, of what we are and most of all who we can be," Beyoncé said.

'I've got to do something different': Baldwin

In a recent episode of 30 Rock, Alec Baldwin's character, Jack Donaghy, went through a kind of midlife crises, splitting into four alternate versions of his self.

One, "sideways Jack," chastised Donaghy for allowing an intended six-month stop in TV to turn into five years, leaving him stalled and no longer a "shark."

"You don't even know what a shark is anymore!" exclaimed the alternate Donaghy.

The episode played artfully with Baldwin's own career ambitions, which didn't include sitcom stardom until Tina Fey's 30 Rock came along.

Now, though, Baldwin is contemplating his exit from 30 Rock. He has one season left on his contract with NBC and has said he will leave at that point.

"That's pretty much all I think about right now," said Baldwin in a recent interview.

"To finish the show, I'm going to do this year then start thinking about what I want to do next. It's the big question. It's been a great experience, and I've loved doing the show. It changed my life. I'll never have it this good again, I know that. But I know that I've got to do something different, try something different. I don't know what that's going to be."

This summer, Baldwin will be shooting Woody Allen's next film, to be shot in Rome, as well as the big screen adaptation of the Broadway musical Rock of Ages and the indie drama Hick. Though Baldwin, 53, worked primarily in movies before 30 Rock and has since worked in such films as 2009's It's Complicated, he says he won't necessarily return to that path.

"When I go back into the world to go to work, I don't know how likely I would be to (make movies). This is something I can't answer now," says Baldwin.

"But if I want to do something after that, I don't know if that would be another series on television — I doubt I would do that. Just to go to work, maybe I would do films again. But it's difficult because films are hard."
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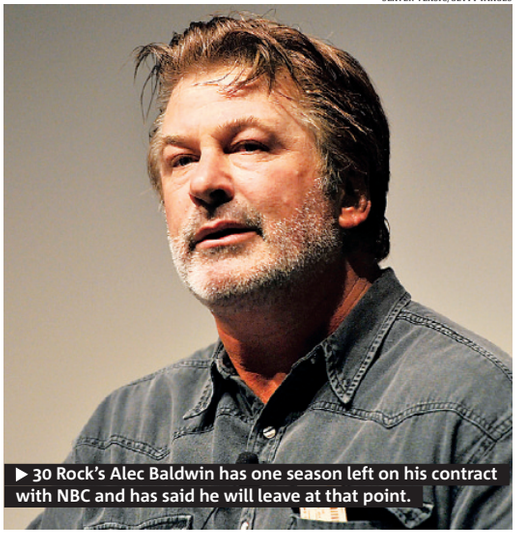

▶ 30 Rock's Alec Baldwin has one season left on his contract with NBC and has said he will leave at that point.

No politics

- Alec Baldwin has an interest in politics and regularly blogs for the Huffington Post. But because the top New York State offices are safe Democratic seats, he doesn't want to run for office in his home state.
- "It would be easier for me to run if I moved — California or Connecticut or somewhere. And I'm not prepared to do that right now," he says.

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▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger

The former employee who had a child with Arnold Schwarzenegger has reportedly been identified as housekeeper Mildred Baena, according to Radar Online and Star magazine.

"She's the one," a source confirms.

Baena reportedly worked for Schwarzenegger and estranged wife Maria Shriver for 20 years before retiring in January.

The child in question is believed to be around 14 years old. Schwarzenegger's youngest child with Shriver is 13.

Arnold and Shriver recently announced their divorce.

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Talking points

Penelope Cruz wants to hide son from press

UGLY BABY? Penelope Cruz is hoping to keep her newborn son, Leonardo, as far from the limelight as she and husband Javier Bardem can, she tells Vogue.

"I want my son — and my kids if I have more — to grow up in a way that is as anonymous as possible," Cruz explains. "The fact that his father and I have chosen to do the work that we do, doesn't give anybody the right to invade our privacy."

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Celebrity tweets

@BarRefaeli

"Cannes :) so peaceful here! Beautiful and chill. Gonna work now though.. And Later the premier of Jodie Fosters new film "

@PSchwarzenegger

"some days you feel like s---, some days you want to quit and just be normal for a bit, yet i love my family till death do us apart."

@SteveMartinToGo

"Spanish Conquistadors have just claimed my lawn for Spain. Though haven't worn this chest plate in ages, THIS WILL NOT STAND."

Host a perfect pool party

This summer beat the heat with a poolside fete that's sure to impress ◗ Entertaining expert Edward Lent shows you how to throw a sophisticated soiree

Ah, summer, the best time of year to entertain. As long as the weather is on your side, poolside mixers are the way to go.

They're a great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, and cleanup is a breeze. Whether at your folks' or friends' place, on your condo's rooftop or in your own backyard, a pool party is sure to be a happy addition to your summer calendar.

The key is to create a casual vibe — we're not just talking bikinis and beach balls here. A menu of mini-apps and refreshing drinks served on bar-height tables will create a relaxed atmosphere and encourage guests to mix and mingle.

It's also a good idea to keep the food options varied: Offer a mixture of lighter items, such as antipasti or salads, alongside more substantial dishes like mini-burgers or maple-Dijon scallops so that guests can decide for themselves when and how much they'd like to eat.

Bite-size appetizers will entice guests to branch out and try something new.

When it comes to drinks, fruity cocktails are a poolside must, of course, but be sure to provide your guests with plenty of non-alcoholic beverages as well so they stay hydrated in the summer sun.

The menu

For cocktails, serve margaritas, martinis and pear-vodka snow cones. For hors d'oeuvres, offer blue cheese burgers, individual Caesar salads served in Parmesan baskets, Asian lettuce wraps, maple-Dijon scallops, feta and watermelon skewers, and provolone-stuffed sun-dried tomatoes. And for dessert, try cherries jubilee.

▶ Keep the food options varied.

Ed's drink tips

• Repurpose your existing outdoor accessories as ice buckets to keep bottled water, wine and beer cold and accessible to your guests. Planters, a fountain, an outdoor fireplace or a wheelbarrow are all fair game. Be creative and think outside the bucket!

• Set up themed drink stations, each stocked with a different beverage. Offer a selection of wines at one, frozen drinks at another and pitchers of martinis and/or non-alcoholic punch at another. Your guests will stay refreshed — and out of the kitchen.

Lights, planters, action!

So you've secured the pool and that's half the battle. But don't stop there. With a few simple decor ideas, you'll find yourself in a sophisticated backyard oasis.

First step: Stash the noodles and inner tubes in the shed and turn your pool into an instant water feature using sprinklers. Their spray will sparkle in the sunshine, create interesting patterns in the pool's water and fill the air with the soothing sounds of a fountain.

While you're cleaning up the pool toys, put away the patio furniture and replace it with some cocktail tables. No need to buy anything new: Chances are you already have everything you need. Tall planters make great table bases.

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▶ Create a casual vibe to encourage guests to mix and mingle.

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▶ Offer lighter fare along with substantial dishes.

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10 ways to celebrate Victoria Day

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Canadians love the Victoria Day Weekend and no wonder. It's the unofficial start to summer, which has been a long time coming this year. The holiday weekend offers an exciting and diverse line-up of things to amuse both young and old. Don your shorts and sunglasses… and let's get started.

Fairmont Hotel Vancouver Afternoon Tea
Commemorate Queen Victoria in high style at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver's traditional afternoon tea service. Kids can try Bubblegum-flavoured tea and nibble on PB&J sandwiches while parents indulge in Champagne-infused tea and scones with strawberries.
fairmont.com

Granville Island Waterpark
The biggest free waterpark in North America re-opens for the season on May 21. Top off the day with a visit to the Kids Market, where children can explore the indoor Adventure Zone and trawl the shops for books, magic tricks, and even live turtles.
granvilleisland.com

Maplewood Farm
Spring is hands-down the best time to visit the farm. Baby animals are being born, and kids can get up close and personal with more than 200 animals, including bunnies, horses and sheep.
maplewoodfarm.bc.ca

Cloverdale Rodeo & Country Fair
Take a short drive out of Vancouver for the next best thing to the Calgary Stampede: Cloverdale's annual rodeo, taking place May 20-23. This is where bull riders from around the world compete in classic competitions.
cloverdalerodeo.com

H.R. MacMillan Space Centre
Here's a great contingency plan if it rains over the long weekend. The Space Centre does a dizzying job at bringing astronomy to life for kids of all ages. Take part in demonstrations at GroundStation Canada, tinker with exhibits in the Cosmic Courtyard and stargaze at the Observatory.
spacecentre.ca

Hyack Festival Week
New Westminster presents its annual spring soiree, the Hyack Festival, taking place May 21-29. The community gala includes more than 60 family-oriented events, kicking off with fireworks on May 21, and featuring a parade, street fairs and carnival games.
hyack.bc.ca

Jericho Beach and Spanish Banks
Both beaches feature grassy banks perfect for picnicking, expanses of sand for building sandcastles and surrounding forest perfect for hiking.
vancouver.ca/parks

Lost Lagoon
Stanley Park and the seawall are always packed with revellers over the long weekend, which is why you should hightail it to the tranquil oasis of Lost Lagoon. Gather the family and grab seats on the benches lining the water's shore — it's a great spot for viewing the park's playful seagulls and geese.
vancouver.ca/parks

Burnaby Village Museum
Celebrate Victoria Day in grand style with maypole dancing, a live concert band, a parade, children's crafts and the creation of a colossal birthday cake.
burnabyvillagemuseum.ca

Vancouver Aquarium
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Sexy summer sippers

Picture this: Sandy beaches, the bluest sky and ocean waves gently caressing the shore. Alas, the only surfing you're doing this summer involves a computer and an ergonomically incorrect office chair. Luckily, you don't have to jet off to Tahiti to unwind. Stir up these simple recipes for four delish drinks that will have you cha-cha-cha-ing the night away with your honey before you can say "Copacabana."

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Pear-Poire
Ingredients:
- 6 parts pear-flavoured vodka
- 1 part fresh lemon juice
- 2 tsp sugar
- 1 small ripe pear, peeled, cored and cut into 1/4-inch slices
- 1 bottle sparkling muscat (or other sweet sparkling wine)
- Crystallized ginger for garnish

Preparation:
In a pitcher, combine the lemon juice, sugar, pear and vodka. Stir well to combine, until sugar is dissolved. Pour into six champagne flutes. Fill each glass with muscat; and garnish with crystallized ginger.

Mango and Passionfruit Daiquiri
Ingredients:
- 1 oz. white or coconut-flavoured rum
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) mango purée (or half a ripe mango)
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) passionfruit purée (or strained passionfruit flesh)
- 15 mL (1/2 oz.) fresh lime juice
- Sugar to taste

Preparation:
Mix all ingredients together in a shaker. Fill with cubed and crushed ice; shake vigorously until chilled. Double-strain into a chilled cocktail glass. Garnish with a slice of ripe mango and half a passionfruit.

A Sigh of Relief
Ingredients:
- 1 part açai-flavoured tequila
- 1 part melon liqueur
- 1 fresh kiwi, peeled

Preparation:
Muddle peeled kiwi in a cocktail shaker. Add ice and all other ingredients. Shake vigorously and strain over fresh ice in a short glass. Garnish with a kiwi wheel.

Watermelon Jalapeno Mojito
Ingredients:
- 45 mL (1 1/2 oz.) rum
- 2 tsp sugar
- 60 mL (2 oz.) fresh watermelon juice (or 1 chunk of watermelon, muddled)
- 1/2 lime, cut into 8 small pieces
- 12 fresh mint leaves
- 1/4 jalapeno, sliced and seeds removed

Preparation:
Drop jalapeno and lime into glass. Muddle with mint leaves. Cover with sugar; top with ice. Add rum and top with watermelon juice. Stir well and garnish with a mint, jalapeno slice and watermelon slice.

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Light the night sky — safely

The safest way to enjoy fireworks this May 24th weekend is to enjoy a public fireworks show. At the same time, "we know people are going to deal with fireworks and we want to make sure they're doing so safely," says Valerie Powell, a spokesperson for the Canada Safety Council.

"From a safety perspective, we recommend people not discharge fireworks at home, but we know not everybody will adhere to that."

If you do decide to have your own fireworks display, here are some safety tips:

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- Don't smoke near fireworks.
- Set up your display in an open, level space away from spectators (check that the wind is blowing away from spectators).
- Ensure that you have a bucket of water, a pail of sand and a fire extinguisher with you, as well as a cellphone in case you need to call 911.
- Don't give sparklers to children under eight. Sparklers burn extremely hot and are usually shaken or moved around a lot, so the potential for burns and accidents is greater. Be sure to immerse them in a pail of water once they're out.
- Contact the local fire department to learn the regulations on discharging fireworks in your municipality.

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▶ A public fireworks show is the safest way to go.

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Where to see fireworks this weekend:

- **Vancouver Parks Board:** Call 604-873-7000 or visit vancouver.ca/parks for info
- **Hyack Festival Week:** May 21 at midnight, in New Westminister

Mastering tonal dressing

Shake things up for summer by ditching the black and experimenting with lighter, summery neutrals instead. Here's how.

An outfit of head-to-toe black may be practical for city living, but it can also be a predictable snore. If you're prone to monochromatic dressing, try changing up the shade for a little variety.

This tonal look that we spotted on Isabella Viscam is a light and fresh take on the urban uniform. The key to pulling this off is playing with the subtle varietes in shades of tan and beige. KENYA HUNT

Remix her style

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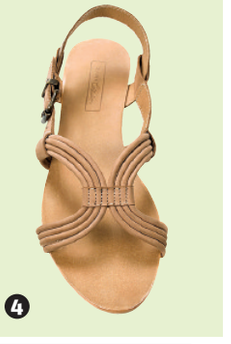

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1 CURRENT/ELLIOTT
denim jacket
$265, netaporter.com

2 MAR Y SOL
tote
$100, shopbop.com

3 ASOS
skinny trousers
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Beauty pick

Lip balms that won't stick

It's officially time to swap out the sticky lip glosses for lighter lip treatments that won't melt on the beach.

Fresh's lip balm gives the most subtle wash of color along with natural, hydrating ingredients. KENYA HUNT

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Sugar Honey Tinted Lip Treatment
$23, sephora.com

Fashion designers often live the jet-set life they love to mimic on their runways.

For your eyes only

Ramp up the sex factor and give the girls the eye in some of the season's hottest frames
Here's our run-down of this summer's must-have sunglasses. RICHARD PECKETT

1 PERSOL STEVE MCQUEEN SUNGLASSES

Whether you're by the beach or on a city break, this summer is the season to sex it up with these oversize frames from Persol.
$338, my-wardrobe.com

2 TOPMAN VINTAGE

Add some glamour to your jean-and-Tee combo with these dapper, vintage-inspired, tortoise-hell sunglasses.
$28, topman.com

3 URBAN OUTFITTERS

These quirky yet classic, half frame glasses are The Look to have for any wannabe suave sophisticate.
US Mass wayfarer, $18, UK half frame, urbanoutfitters.com

4 RAY-BAN AVIATORS

Glastonbury, Sonar, Burning Man – yes, the festival season is upon us. Ray-Ban's gigolo style, gold-framed eye wear is an outdoor concert classic.
$175, mrporter.com

5 CUTLER & GROSS 0736

The skinny-rimmed circular sunnies once synonymous with John Lennon are now rid of the spindly wire frames and revamped in chunky tortoiseshell.
$450, cutlerandgross.com

Men's grooming

Sealed lips

Feeling parched? Malin & Goetz's lip moisturizer features an intimidating sounding hydrogenated polyisobutene fatty acid hydration technology that does a really nice job of hydrating thirsty lips. Best of all chaps, this neat little tube of shine-free, scentless cream won't be mistaken for your girlfriend's lipgloss.
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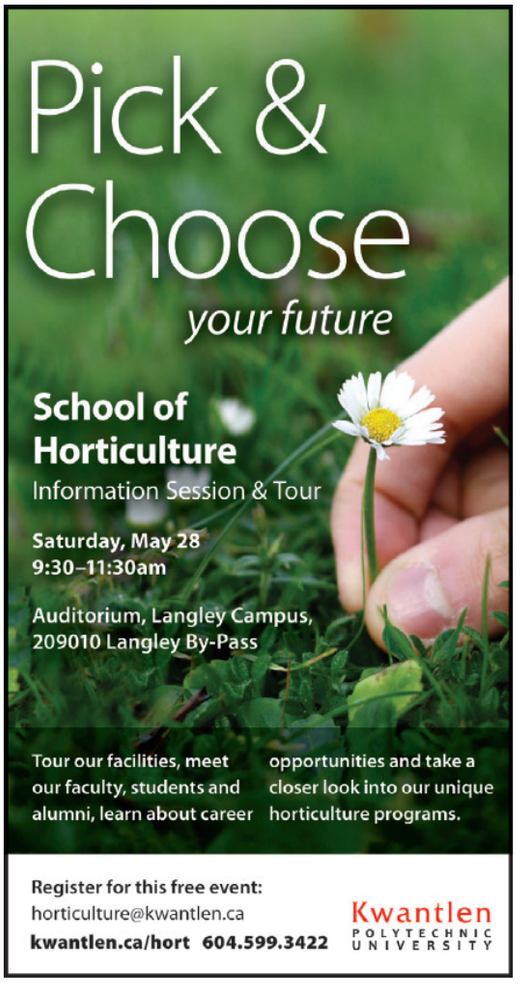

I'm cleaning out my closet

If the shoes — or jacket or jeans — don't fit, don't give them any real estate in your current collection

Any way you hang it, that strong-shouldered jacket from the 1980s is never going to quite look like the '80s-inspired jackets popular now. Same goes for the '70s maxi and slinky disco-style dresses.

That means the time has likely come to get rid of them.

Think of this as a time to clear your closet – cleaning and updating in one fell swoop – by strategically paring down your wardrobe, making a few new additions and finding shelf space for those items that truly are timeless.

Even something as simple as knit leggings, a staple now, were a fashion "don't" a decade ago. They could go into hibernation again. And, chances are, anyone who kept their stirrups from the Culture Club-era still can't make those look modern.

Adam Glassman, fashion director at O, The Oprah Magazine, says anything you haven't worn in two years should be booted from the valuable closet real estate. He used to say one year, he explains, but he is allowing for a little more flexibility in size fluctuation, popular colours and immediate trends.

After that, though, the items — unless they're expensive, top-tier designer pieces in beautiful fabrics with precision cuts — should go. It's romantic to think that other items, even pricey ones, could wear that "vintage" label someday, but, in reality, few things do.

"Very high-end stuff, like (French design label) Balmain, you can save that because, eventually, it could be a collector's item. I have friends who hold on to Prada like that," says Glassman. "But that's a small percentage of what's out there. You don't need to save H&M, Gap, Zara."

▶ Melanie Facitelli of Clos-ette has found that people have a harder time letting go of accessories than clothing.

Most closets are cluttered with stuff that hasn't seen the light of day in a very long time, says Jackie Conlin, a personal style consultant in San Francisco. "Timeless pieces are real gems," she says. "I like the idea of timelessness, but the way things change so rapidly, a look is going to change and your look is going to change."

She advises a "classic wardrobe with punches of personality," including a trench coat that, if it's not a Burberry, is made in the brand's spirit, in a neutral colour, and a tailored and trim silhouette; pencil skirts and pencil black pants; and shift and sheath dresses.

Conlin puts a white blouse or man-tailored button-down on the list, but Glassman warns that those can be tricky to keep because, even protected in the closet, they'll yellow over time.

They do agree that keeping traditional handbags, clutches and totes, for instance, and high-heel pumps (probably just the round-toe ones) makes sense as long as they're in good condition. Heavily embellished accessories, however, might be perfect donations for a little girl's dress-up box.

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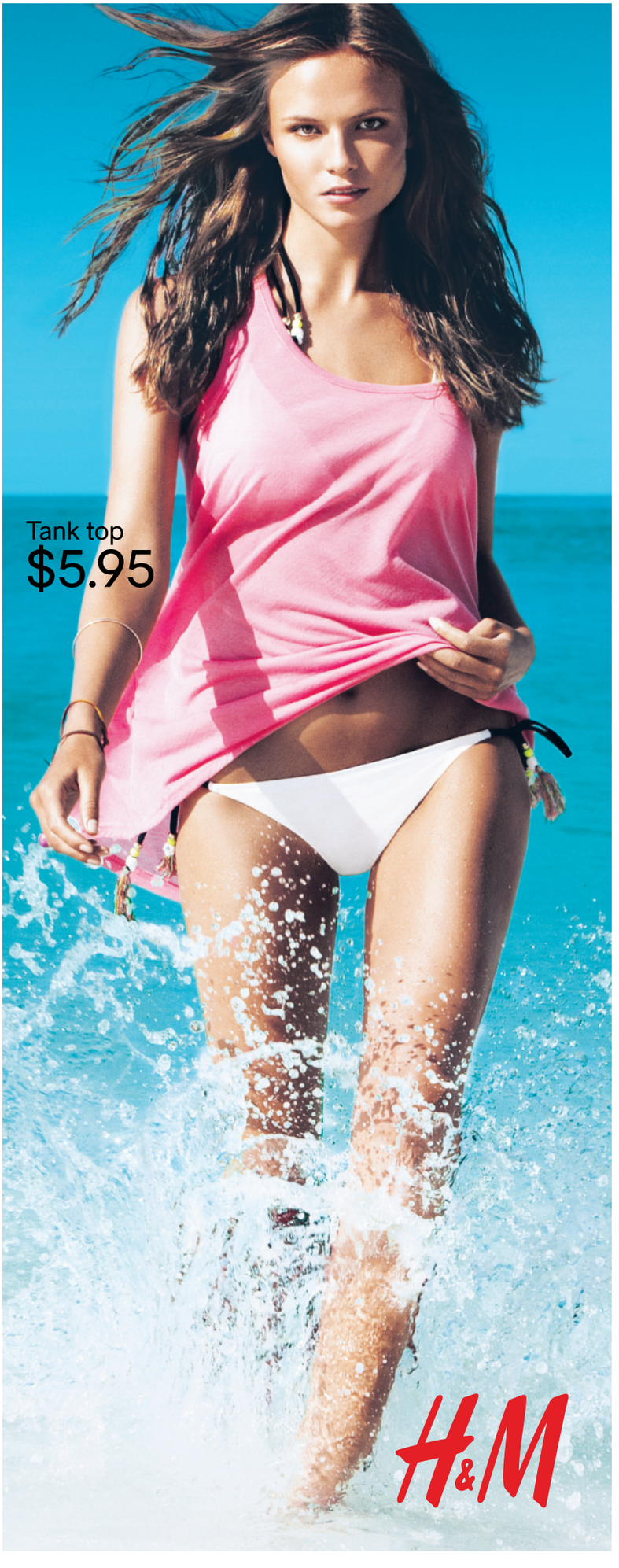
Pretty put-aways

How to store the sentimental items:

- Professional closet designer and organizer Melanie Fascitelli says to put clean items in breathable garment bags, which limit discolouration, and throw in lavender sachets, which act as an antiseptic and bug repellent.
- Fascitelli also created the Clos-ette Too line of storage products. Store these bags in a humidity-controlled location.



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Top designers revive Lucite

Ultimately sleek and modern, the acrylic — in name and sensibility — has travelled far from the '50s

Her friends' Lucite-and-white kitchens were far more inviting than the outdated, psychedelic wallpaper and avocado-coloured appliances that greeted Jeannine Anckaitis at home during the late '80s.

"It was the absence of colour that looked so clean, fresh and bright," she said.

"They were clutter-free and seemed upscale. Our kitchen, on the other hand, seemed garish and was overwhelming to the eye."

It's been more than 75 years since rival chemical companies came up with a new generation of clear acrylics known in their world as polymethyl methacrylate.

Lucite wasn't the first brand in 1936, but it's an enduring symbol of mid-century modern style spanning home furnishings and decor, industrial design and retail merchandising, contemporary art and costume jewelry.

"It's so modern, but it also looks futuristic at the same time," said Alexis Bittar. "It's definitely the platinum of the acrylics."

▶ The Leather Wrap Slab Desk designed by Coffinier Ku Design using Lucite.

Bittar is the wizard of Lucite after a 20-year journey from hawking his jewelry on the streets of New York to hand-sculpting masks for Lady Gaga and floral pins for Michelle Obama.

"You can manipulate it any way you want," he said.

Lucite's qualities — it's easy to form, glue, cut, tint and fuse with other materials to add texture, colour and sparkle — are the things that made it a hit.

Lucite handbags from Charles Kahn and other designers in the '50s now fetch up to $600 or more from collectors.

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▶ Transplanting seedlings outside should be done on a cloudy day to limit initial sunlight.

Hardening not hard as it seems

◗ It's time to move those seedlings outside for planting ◗ Here is how you can make it painless

DIY IDEAS

The May long weekend usually signals it's time to move seedlings that have been growing indoors outside into planters and gardens.

This process is called transplanting. Before transplanting, it is wise to harden your plants to ensure they take to their new environment. DIY Network Canada's Desperate Landscapes (weekdays at 8:30 p.m. ET/5:30 p.m. PT) offers a guide to hardening and transplanting.

Harden Up

Seedlings that were grown indoors under artificial light or on a window sill need to be acclimatized to the outdoors to ensure they continue to thrive in their new, harsher conditions.

This process is called hardening and is very simple. After the last frost, begin to place your seedlings outdoors for two to three hours at a time during the day.

Place them in a shady area that is protected from wind. Continue this for three days. After the third day, leave the plants outside for longer periods of time gradually building up to 10 hours. By day seven, seedlings can receive direct sunlight. Remember to bring them indoors every night. After two weeks, the seedlings are ready to be transplanted.

Transplant Away

Transplanting should be done on a cloudy day in the late afternoon to give the plants time to adjust to their new environment.

Also, consider bringing the container with the seedlings outside to the new pot or garden so the soil-to-soil move happens quickly. When ready to transplant, locate the root of the seedling. If grown in a container, the seedlings are likely to have formed a root ball. Break apart the root ball as gently as possible to avoid root damage. Lightly watering the soil can assist this process.

Dig a hole in the new pot or garden that is deep enough to contain the plant's roots. Transfer the seedlings to the hole and pack the soil around the roots, leaving the soil loose near the top and water.

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▶ Dame's rocket has a lot going for it. Besides being pretty and scented, the flowers bloom for weeks and weeks.

Scented dame's are intoxicating

In the wild or in a garden, pretty Scented dame's rocket has power

Dame's rocket is now blanketing the dappled shade of woodlands and roadsides with its white, mauve or purple flowers. Its sweet scent is especially pervasive on late spring and early summer evenings.

You might think dame's rocket (Hesperis matronalis) is a native plant; it can be seen, after all, in Quebec, in Georgia, in almost any state. But dame's rocket is a native of Europe and western Asia that early on was cultivated in American gardens, then escaped to find a happy home in the wilds of eastern North America.

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Dame's rocket also might be mistaken for phlox. Both have sweetly scented flowers in similar shapes and colours, and the flowers of both plants are held clustered atop 60- or 90-centimetre-high stalks. Look more closely, though, and you'll find that phlox flower parts are in fives. Dame's rocket, in contrast, has four petals. And they are in the shape of a cross, which is a giveaway for members of the cabbage family.

That cabbage association is how the "rocket" got into the name. Many cabbage relatives have this in their name; it's derived from the Latin "eruca" for cabbage-like plants. The now familiar vegetable arugula — also cabbage kin — has also been called rucola or rocket. And if you think it odd that a relative of cabbage should have a sweet scent, take a whiff of sweet alyssum.

AN OLD-FASHIONED FLOWER

Dame's rocket has a lot going for it. Besides being pretty and scented, the flowers bloom for weeks. Judging from where the plants have happily settled, they obviously tolerate cold and shade. They even tolerate dry shade, with some sacrifice to how long they bloom. And pests? None to speak of.

Dame's rocket was once a popular garden plant.

Perhaps it is now so rarely cultivated because it is so abundant in the wild. Also, dame's rocket is a biennial: Individual plants grow leaves their first year, flower the second, then die. What nursery would sell a plant almost guaranteed to die at the end of its second year?

Being a biennial should not discredit dame's rocket, though, because it is also self-seeding. A planting eventually develops an ongoing population. The only glitch is if you start with dame's rockets having double flowers.

Seedlings of these double-flowered sorts revert to single forms, so your planting would flower every year, but the flowers would eventually all be single.

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Getting started

There are a few ways to get dame's rocket into your flower garden.

- **Buy them** Plants or seeds are sometimes available commercially. If you ever do come across plants of one of those double-flowered dame's rockets, the way to multiply them is by taking cuttings.
- **Find them** Wild plants obviously make abundant seed every year, so why not mark a few outstanding plants and collect seed from them?
- **Transplant** Another possible way to get started with dame's rocket is to transplant just a few wild plants into the garden, then coddle them for a couple of weeks with water and extra shade until roots settle.

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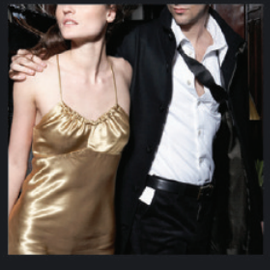

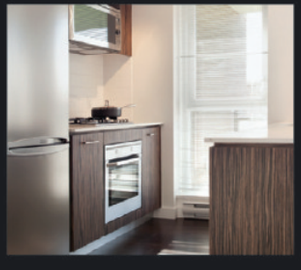

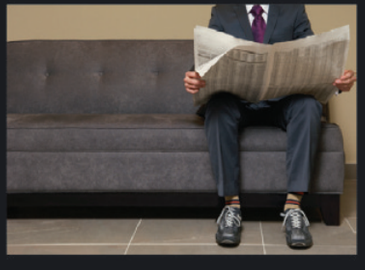

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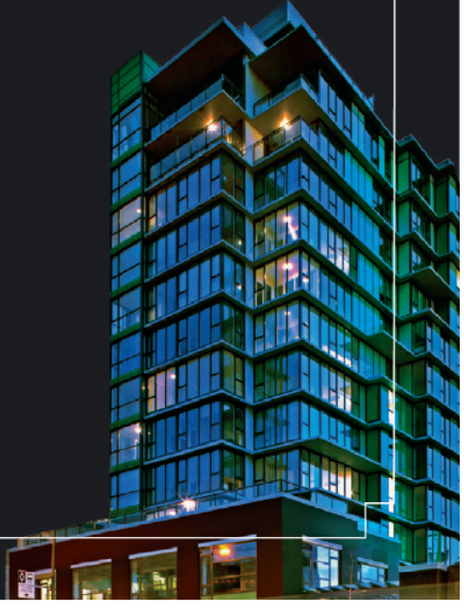

High-end renos without high prices

Affordable suggestions to make your kitchen, bathroom or living room look fresh and brand new

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You'd love to incorporate the boutique look in your upstairs bathroom, or streamline the look of your living room or your kitchen, but you don't exactly have the budget for a full-scale renovation.

Not to worry. We talked to Karl Lohnes, Metro's Décor Moment columnist, and Frank Turco, the Toronto-based senior manager of trend and design for Home Depot Canada, to find easy ways to get high-end looks for much, much less.

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▶White: simple, classic.

IN THE KITCHEN

CUPBOARDS

White creates a timeless kitchen look, suggests Lohnes. If your cupboards are in good shape, think about just re-facing the cupboard doors. "So that's not sanding down your doors — it's just getting new doors for your cupboards," says Turco. Also install new cabinet hardware — think inexpensive steel knobs for doors and pulls on.

FLOORS AND WALLS

Laminate has come a long way baby. "Get a more luxurious look with quality laminate flooring, maybe the look of wood, which could be a higher-end look for most kitchens, or a laminate that looks like stone," suggests Lohnes. Then freshen up your walls with colours such as teal, turquoise or the new neutral — grey, adds Turco.

COUNTERTOPS

Swap out your counter for a laminate one with the look of white cararra or French marble. For a modern look, pick counters with squared-off edges and skip the curved return on the back.

"A slab that fits against the wall looks more like a real slab of marble or granite," says Lohnes.

LIGHTING

Why not try outdoor lighting such as an outdoor stainless steel pendant in your kitchen?

"It gives a more industrial look and it's also less expensive than an interior light source," says Lohnes.

IN THE BATHROOM

SHOWER/TUB

Can't afford a new tub? Then hide yours. "Hang your shower rod at ceiling height and then put a floor-to-ceiling curtain on it. It gives you a wall of fabric and makes it feel more like a powder room," says Lohnes. "You can buy curtains long now or get some standard drapery and put a liner behind it."

MIRRORS

Replace your plate glass mirror with a tall vertical mirror.

"Then put your light fixture on top of that and you create almost a focal point," says Lohnes. Or buy a mirror framed by a mirror. "It's a cool look and can dress up a bathroom," says Turco.

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▶ Float your vanity.

WALLS AND FLOORS

"You can buy tiled walls now, mosaic glass tiles on a big sheet so it's easy for a consumer to install. And there are mosaic glass tile sheets that look really good," says Lohnes.

VANITIES

Instead of installing a store-bought vanity, think about a floating vanity. "Have a contractor do a floating vanity top and then tile it or cover it with stone. It's often really inexpensive to do," says Lohnes. Or Turco suggests just switching out your faucet. "Single lever faucets are a huge trend and they are typically more contemporary," he notes.

IN THE LIVING ROOM

WALL COLOUR

Pick colours to suit how you use the room. "If it's a room where you watch TV at night, paint it a darker colour. But if you're using the room during the day, then keep it lighter and airier," says Lohnes. Also clean up the look of your living room by painting your mouldings the same colour as your walls.

LIGHTING

Cut back on your pot lighting if you're looking to change your lights. Use them in a corner, simply to brighten highlighting something on a wall.

"Don't use them all over the room like a football field." Instead, introduce select lighting. Drum-shaped pendants are "a great way of adding some ambient lighting," says Turco.

FLOORS

Get creative when replacing your carpeting. Tile carpeting is eco-friendly, and "you can just cut out one tile to replace it if an area gets worn or stained," says Lohnes. Hate carpeting?

"Laminate flooring could work in a living room because there's no moisture," says Turco.

Basement bounty: Converting to rental space

Making your home a money maker can be stressful **Keep these helpful hints in mind to add value**

Basements can add great value to a home — especially when converted into a rental unit. Turning your basement into a rental unit can be a relatively easy and cost-effective way to increase property value and generate extra income.

There are a few simple steps to take to ensure your basement is comfortable for potential renters, which includes an adequate amount of insulation.

"With the cost of living steadily rising, converting an unfinished basement into a rental unit is a great option for additional income," says David Flood, insulation expert for Owens Corning. "Installing adequate insulation will help regulate temperature, keep your home energy efficient and provide a comfortable living space for your future tenants."

Start your basement renovation project today to convert your unfinished basement into a useable rental unit.

For more information on home renovations, visit owenscorning.ca.

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Helpful hints

To start your basement renovation project, first install foam insulation panels and insulation batts. In addition to installing proper insulation, here are some other important tips to keep in mind as you get started on your basement conversion.

- **Throughout** the conversion process, have a city inspector view the unit to ensure that it passes code.
- **Upon** completion of your basement, notify your insurance company that your basement will be occupied as a rental unit.

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▶ A basement can make a comfortable apartment.

Dream home must-haves

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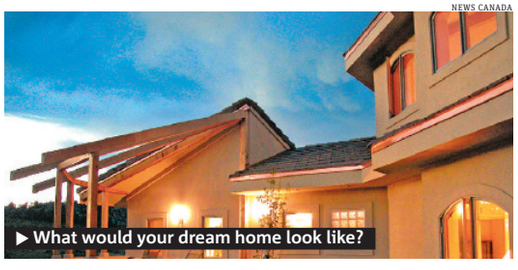

▶ What would your dream home look like?

If you were given a chance to design your own dream home, what would your favourite features be? Here are some of the most requested items:

Curb appeal: Home exterior, driveway, and landscaping must attract admiring attention.

Stone: Something not structured by wood and brick. These homes are not only beautiful, but stonger, more sound resistant, and more energy efficient than wood frames and brick.

Energy efficiency: Maximum energy efficient throughout. Solar panels in the roof to generate a personal energy source.

Gourmet Kitchen: A large, designer kitchen with natural stone countertops and futuristic appliances, cabinetry and waterworks.

Au naturel: Natural hardwood flooring like Brazilian cherry and sustainable bamboo.

Sunlight: A sunroom, a front porch, and a backyard finished patio.

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An adventurous take on steak

These marinated Steak Strips with Gorgonzola Sauce take 20 minutes to prep and just six minutes to grill

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▶ The Gorgonzola cheese sauce is the perfect topping for this tender meat.

These steak strips are one of more than 200 recipes for adventurous grillers in Weber's Time to Grill. The recipes are created to save time without sacrificing an ounce of flavour.

Preparation:

1. In a large glass baking dish combine the marinade ingredients. Whisk to dissolve the tomato paste. Submerge the steaks in the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for 2 to 4 hours. Prepare the grill for direct cooking over high heat (450° to 550°F).

2. Lift the steaks from the dish and pat dry with paper towels. Discard the marinade. Lightly brush the steaks with oil and season evenly with salt and pepper. Allow to stand at room temperature for 15 to 30 minutes before grilling. Meanwhile, make the sauce.

3. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the shallot and cook until tender, about 2 minutes, stirring often. Mix in the sour cream and cheese and cook until the sauce begins to simmer and the cheese has melted, about 3 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from the heat, add ¼ tsp pepper, and cover to keep warm.

4. Brush the cooking grates clean. Grill the steaks over direct high heat, with the lid closed as much as possible, until cooked to your desired doneness, 6 to 8 minutes for medium rare, turning once or twice (if flare–ups occur, move steaks temporarily over indirect heat). Remove from the grill and let rest for 3 to 5 minutes. Serve warm with the sauce. Garnish with chives, if desired.

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Ingredients:

Marinade
- 2 cups beef broth
- 1 cup dry red wine
- 1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 4 New York strip steaks, each 10 to 12 ounces and about 1 inch thick, trimmed of excess fat
- Extra–virgin olive oil
- Kosher salt
- Ground black pepper

Sauce
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons minced shallot
- 1 cup sour cream
- 4 ounces crumbled Gorgonzola cheese (1 cup)
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh chives (optional)

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▶ This simple rice pilaf serves four.

Rice pilaf doesn't have to come from a box

Make this simple dish using basmati rice, cranberries and almonds

Most people know rice pilaf as a side dish that comes from a box. But it can be so much more.

This speedy recipe for cranberry almond rice pilaf can be on the table in about 25 minutes.

Don't like almonds? Use chopped cashews or pistachios. Dried currants, cherries or golden raisins can sub in for cranberries.

And while we keep the seasonings simple with just a bit of cinnamon, cumin and black pepper, feel free to take this in any direction you like.

Preparation:

1. In saucepan over high heat, combine rice, orzo and broth. Bring to boil, cover, reduce heat to simmer and cook for 10 minutes. Once rice has cooked, quickly stir in cranberries, then cover and set aside for another 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.

2. While rice and cranberries sit off the heat, prepare the rest of the pilaf. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt butter. Add cinnamon, ground cumin and 1 ml (1/4 tsp) black pepper, then cook for 30 seconds. Add onion and sauté until it begins to soften, about 4 minutes. Add sliced almonds and grated carrots, then cook for another 2 minutes.

3. Add rice and cranberries to skillet; toss well. Season with salt and pepper, then mix in chopped scallions. Serve immediately.

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Ingredients:
- 250 ml (1 cup) basmati rice
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) orzo pasta
- 675 ml (2 3/4 cups) chicken broth
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) dried cranberries
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) butter
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cumin
- Ground black pepper
- 1 yellow onion, diced
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) almonds
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) carrots
- Salt, to taste
- 2 scallions, chopped

Debunking H20 myths

Nutritionist Kari Carvey reveals 4 water truths

1. Hot or Cold
Despite the wives' tale to the contrary, hot and cold water provide the same benefits. Hydrate and cleanse your body with warm water and a drop of lemon for added flavour.

2. Sweatin' it out
While we may not always feel it, the average adult loses approximately 2.5 litres of water a day through perspiration and bodily waste.

This amount increases when exercising or in extreme heat. Carvey recommends hydrating before, during and after a workout.

She suggests a one litre bottle to create an easy measurement system.

3. Weight loss
Water is a simple way to control hunger and curb weight gain. According to Carvey, "Water provides a feeling of fullness and will help keep you satisfied between meals." It won't melt the pounds away, but the recommended two litres of water is beneficial.

4. Drinking too much water
In rare cases, water toxicity can occur, which is a condition in which body water levels are too high. This can happen with excessive water intake and can be harmful in the body. Symptoms include puffy fingers and ankles, headache and weight gain during exercise. The cases are very individual so if you are concerned, it is best to check with your physician. NEWS CANADA

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Sharks get jumped

Canucks turn one-goal battle into a blowout with four goals in the third

Daniel Sedin scored twice on the power play, while defenceman Kevin Bieksa had a goal and showed his toughness in a fight as the Vancouver Canucks defeated the San Jose Sharks 7-3 last night to take a 2-0 lead in the NHL Western Conference final.

Bieksa broke open a tight game in the second period when he took a pass from Chris Higgins, skated in alone, and beat Sharks goaltender Antti Niemi with a hard, low shot to give Vancouver a 3-2 lead.

A few minutes later, Bieksa dropped his gloves and exchanged punches with San Jose's Patrick Marleau. Bieksa landed several hard, right-handed shots before the linesmen stepped in.

CANUCKS	SHARKS
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"He's a huge part of this team," Higgins said of Bieksa. "He had another great game for us tonight. He's a leader in the dressing room."

Higgins, on the power play, Mason Raymond and Aaron Rome also scored for the Canucks, who exploded for four third-period goals.

Bieksa also collected an assist.

Sedin leads the playoffs with five power-play goals. His eight goals is tied for the playoff lead with Sean Bergenheim of the Tampa Bay Lightning.

Logan Couture, Ben Eager and Marleau scored for the Sharks.

"You lose 7-3, not many people played well," Couture said. "The list goes on. It's embarrassing."

The best-of-seven series moves to San Jose for games tomorrow and Sunday. Game 5 is scheduled for Tuesday at Rogers Arena.

Actress Kim Cattrall and NBA superstar Steve Nash, who both grew up in B.C., were among the towel-waving crowd of 18,860. NHL commissioner Gary Bettman also attended the game.

The intensity level was cranked up for Game 2. There were several scrums after the whistle and some thundering collisions. The game ended with several shoving matches and punches thrown.

A hit by Eager on Sedin late in the second period infuriated the crowd and had the Canucks seeing red.

Eager ran into Sedin from behind, sending him crashing into the boards. The forward lay on the ice a few seconds before skating to the bench.

Eager was called for boarding. Sedin returned to score on a power play later in the third period.

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▶ Sharks goalie Antti Niemi stands in his net as Mason Raymond is mobbed by his teammates after scoring Vancouver's seventh goal last night.

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Heat head back to Miami with series tied

HEAT	BULLS
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LeBron James came up big down the stretch and scored 29 points and Dwyane Wade added 24 as the Miami Heat beat the Chicago Bulls 85-75 last night to tie the Eastern Conference finals at one game apiece.

The Heat can breathe a little easier after escaping with a win and stealing home-court advantage. Coming off a lopsided loss in Game 1, they recovered down the stretch after blowing an 11-point lead to pull even in the series.

James shook off a brutal opener and scored nine points over the final 4:27, starting with a three-pointer that put Miami ahead for good, 76-73. He also had 10 rebounds, and Miami outrebounded the Bulls 45-41 after getting pounded 45-33 on the glass in the opener.

It was a big turnaround after he managed just 15 points on 5-for-15 shooting while being harassed by Luol Deng in Game 1.

Wade also looked more like a superstar after scoring 18 on Sunday. Udonis Haslem provided a spark off the bench with 13 points, and the Heat beat the Bulls for the first time this season even though Chris Bosh scored just 10 points after pouring in 30 in the opener.

Derrick Rose led Chicago with 21 points but scored just two in the fourth quarter. Deng, the only other Bulls player in double figures, added 13 but had just four after the opening period.

The Bulls missed countless layups and got outshot 47.1 per cent to 34.1 per cent. They were just 3-of-20 on three-pointers and 16-of-26 at the foul line.

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▶ Vancouver Whitecap Davide Chiumiento kicks the ball over Toronto FC's Richard Eckersley last night.

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▶ Toronto FC's Tony Tchani, left, is chased by Vancouver Whitecap Gershon Koffie during the game last night.

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Whitecaps can't finish off Reds

Failed to capitalize on late chances after Hassli put Vancouver ahead

Maicon Santos scored in the 73rd minute last night as Toronto FC rallied for a 1-1 draw with the Vancouver Whitecaps in the first leg of the Nutrilite Canadian Championship.

Santos flicked in Nick Soolsma's cross from the right flank from 10 yards out to give Toronto a precious away goal.

Eric Hassli replied for the Whitecaps, who will need to score at least once in the second leg of the two-game, total-goals series May 25 at Toronto's BMO Field if they want to claim the national title.

The winner of the Canadian championship series qualifies for 2012 CONCACAF Champions League play.

The winner of that competition will represent the CONCACAF zone, which includes North America, Central America and the Caribbean, in the 2012 FIFA Club World Cup.

Hassli finally opened the scoring in the 64th minute.

He took a pass from Davide Chiumiento, deked Toronto forward Joao Plata and fired a curling 25-yard shot past goalkeeper Stefan Frei.

It was Hassli's first goal since April 6, when after scoring on a penalty, he threw his jersey into the crowd and received his second yellow card and automatic ejection.

This time, Hassli went to the bench and hugged his teammates. The goal came after Vancouver coach Teitur Thordarson called for Hassli to start playing like his old self.

The Whitecaps came close to breaking the scoreless tie in the 48th minute. Hassli hit the post at the top of the 18-yard box before Jay DeMerit headed from the near post, but Camilo couldn't connect from a yard out.

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Tough encore

Last night's game drew a smaller-than-usual crowd as it went head to head with Game 2 of the NHL's Western Conference final between the Vancouver Canucks and San Jose Sharks.

- The Whitecaps dominated but could not reproduce the same scoring magic they produced in their 4-2 Major League Soccer debut victory over the Reds in March.
- The atmosphere was more subdued with the Whitecaps having gone winless in 10 straight MLS games.

Poor play can't dim Tiger's star power

For his golf, Tiger Woods is about to fall out of the top 10 in the world for the first time in 14 years. For his star power, he still ranks ahead of any other athlete.

Woods, whose last win came 18 months ago at the Australian Masters, will drop to at least No. 11 in the next world ranking published Monday. It will be the first time he is out of the top 10 since he was No. 13 April 6, 1997, the week before he won the Masters for the first time.

Forbes, meanwhile, says he is still the No. 1 celebrity in the sports world.

Woods checks in at No. 6 on Forbes' annual "Celebrity 100" list of the most powerful people or groups in the entertainment business. Lady Gaga tops the overall rankings, followed by Oprah Winfrey, Justin Bieber, U2 and Elton John.

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▶ Tiger Woods

Miami Heat star LeBron James is the second-ranked athlete behind Woods at No. 10. Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers is 14th.

Forbes estimated Woods' total earnings last year to be $75 million US, making him the highest-paid athlete. The magazine put Bryant's earnings for the last 12 months at $53 million, followed by James at $48 million and four-time major winner Phil Mickelson at $47 million.

Woods started the year at No. 2 and has been steadily dropping points. He tied for fourth at the Masters last month, but withdrew from The Players Championship last week because of injuries. He said on his website Monday that he will try to return in June for the U.S. Open.

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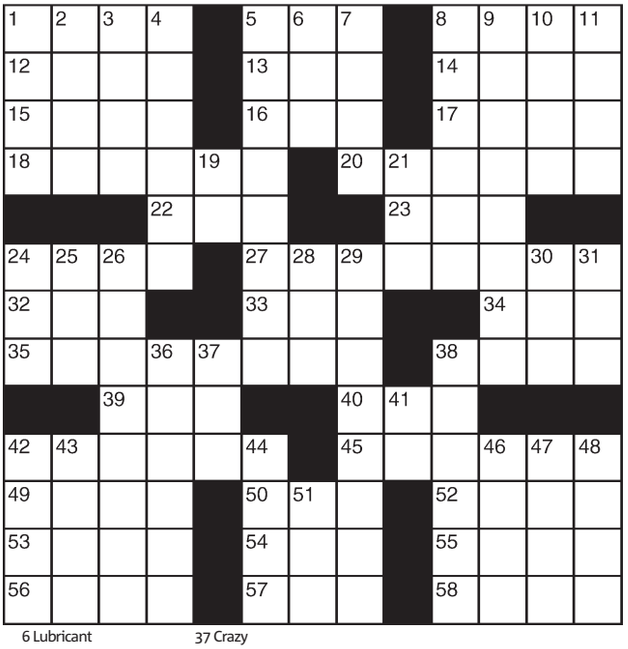
Crossword



Across

1 Door handle
5 Pigeon's remark
8 Wound cover
12 Modern-day money
13 That guy
14 Collins or Donahue
15 First place
16 "The Greatest"
17 Stow cargo
18 Landlord
20 In layers
22 Blackbird
23 Shell game need
24 Start of the XIIIth century
27 Backed, as a motion
32 Cheery word?
33 — -jongg
34 Gabor or Longoria
35 Severe injuries
38 Worked with
39 Genetic matter
40 Decay
42 Puts up
45 Reactions to a pun
49 Lotion additive
50 Shelter
52 — moss
53 Picnic invaders
54 Bobby of hockey
55 Greek vowel
56 Glas-wegian gal
57 Petrol
58 Unsigned (Abbr.)

Down

1 Ship's spine
2 Undressed
3 Raw rocks
4 Dwarfed potted plant
5 Special appeal
6 Lubricant
7 Skip over
8 Ill will
9 Party game
10 Staffer
11 Evidenced a pinprick
19 Operating
21 Wall St. debut
24 "The A-Team" actor
25 Auto
26 "— of Fire"
28 Consume
29 San Diego squad
30 First lady?
31 Old man
36 If not
37 Crazy
38 Perfect place
41 Otherwise
42 False god
43 Arm bone
44 Trudge (through)
46 Very long time
47 Peacekeeping org.
48 Ollie's partner
51 Historic period

▶ Yesterday's answer

C	A	S	S		A	G	O		O	H	M	S
A	R	C	H		P	O	D		L	E	A	P
M	E	A	T	H	E	A	D		D	A	T	A
P	A	T	I	O			S	L	I	D	E	R
			C	E	N	T		E	E	C		
P	A	C	K		O	R	T	S		O	R	B
I	D	O		G	R	E	E	T		L	O	U
P	A	L		O	M	E	N		A	D	D	S
		D	A	W		S	T	I	R			
I	O	D	I	N	E			L	I	M	B	O
S	P	U	R		D	U	C	K	S	O	U	P
L	A	C	E		E	T	A		E	R	S	T
E	L	K	S		N	E	W		S	E	T	S

Sudoku

				9	4		2	
	4			7				6
	3		8					7
	2	8					4	
			1		2			
	6					1	5	
4					7		8	
9				5			6	
	8		3	6				

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

5	9	3	8	7	6	1	2	4
7	2	6	1	4	3	8	5	9
1	8	4	2	5	9	7	3	6
8	6	2	7	3	1	9	4	5
3	1	9	4	2	5	6	7	8
4	5	7	9	6	8	3	1	2
9	3	5	6	1	2	4	8	7
2	7	8	3	9	4	5	6	1
6	4	1	5	8	7	2	9	3

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You can't stand people who enjoy making drama out of a crisis. Stay calm.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If there's something you need to do, get on with it now.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Look ahead and think of ways you can turn the tables on those who have given you a hard time in recent weeks. Don't be nasty though.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You'll take the opposing view to what everyone believes today. Have your reasons ready so you can explain.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 The pressure is piling up but as a Leo, you're strong enough to take it.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 A friend will say something about you today that is less than flattering. Find out why he or she said it.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 This may be a frustrating time, but cheer up. You've got so much to look forward to.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If someone gets the impression you are easily manipulated, he or she may try to cheat you later on.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Today, you'll become convinced it's time to give up on something that clearly isn't doing you much good.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 . Over the next 24 hours your default position should be that everyone is lying. Can't be too careful.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will have to put a project on hold today. Come back to it later.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Make sure you relax and replenish your energy. The next few days will be busy. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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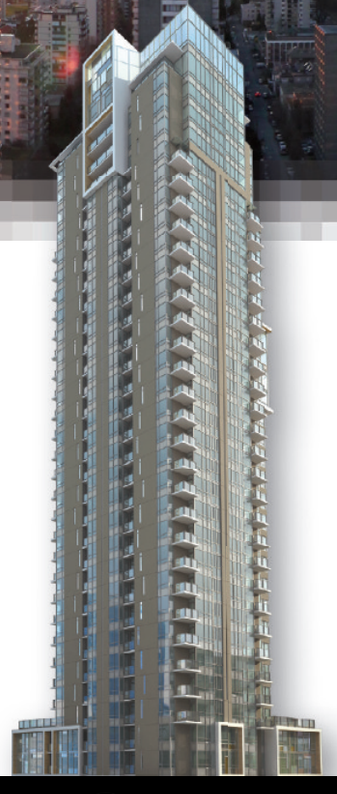

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